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▼BUILDING BRIDGES— There will be a hot topics forum Wednesday at 8 p.m in Buhr Lounge on recent issues confronting Wartburg College.

▼SERVANT AUCTION— The service trip groups will be sponsoring an indentured servant auction Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m. in Buhr Lounge. Those wishing to participate should contact Jen at 7679 or Emily at 7677.

▼WINTER HALF OVER— Today marks the half-way point of winter. At 2:10 p.m. winter will officially be half over.

▼SPIRTUAL EMPHASIS WEEK— Campus Ministry Board will be sponsoring Spirtual Emphasis Week, Saturday through Friday, Feb. 14.

▼HISTORY FACT—In 1959, today was the day "the music died." Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens and J.P. "the Big Bopper" Richardson were killed in a plane crash near Clear Lake, Iowa.

▼BLACK HISTORY SHOWCASE— Cultural Awareness Organization will present Stony the Road We Trod: Past to Present on Thursday at 7 p.m. in Legends. It is for the annual Black History Showcase.

Illegal calls cost thousands

by Eric Allen
Editor

Personal Identification Numbers (PIN) assigned to students working for the admissions and development departments at Wartburg were used to make approximately $52,000 in illegal calls in the past 17 months, according to Mike Book, vice president for administration and finance.

Book and Dean of Students Lex Smith speculate hundreds of students are involved because of the sheer number of illegal calls, approximately 32,000.

The fraudulent use of the these PIN numbers, or long-distance access codes, have been traced back to Sept. 1995.

Illustration by Steffin Griswold

"The college has shown a great deal of trust in giving students PIN number access," said Book, who replaced Ron Matthias on Jan. 1. "Students have violated that trust."

PIN numbers assigned to two "Spiritcallers" in admissions have been identified as the primary PIN number sources of the illegal calls. The two students' names have been referred to the Waverly Police Department.

"Spiritcallers" is a work-study position. Students are hired to call prospective students, generally in the evening, and talk to them about Wartburg, according to junior Spiritcaller Justin Boeding.

Book says the college has a log and billing record of all calls that have been made using department PIN numbers.

The illegal use was discovered in early January after Wartburg College President Robert Vogel asked Book to do an internal review of the college's finances.

Smith, in a "Letter to the Editor" printed on page 5 of this week's *Trumpet*, says the college is granting a "10-day amnesty period" when guilty students can accept responsibility and pay for the illegal calls they made. These students will not receive further punishment from Waverly police or the college.

Students who do not pay for their calls and are then caught will face felony charges and possibly disciplinary action from the college.

A letter explaining this issue and procedure was scheduled to be sent today to all student mailboxes.

The increased use went unnoticed for months, according to Book, because Wartburg switched from using MCI to the Iowa Communications Network (ICN), a phone company with much cheaper rates. So cheap, nobody noticed.

The bills looked similar until November, when there was a considerable increase, said Book.

"It's disappointing," said Doug Bowman, who became director of admissions in Sept. 1995, first on an interim basis. He was director of the Annual Fund before that. "It looks like it's pretty widespread."

Another group of students, "Knightcallers," works for the development department calling alumni and parents of current students. They ask for donations to the Annual Fund, according to Knightcaller Sue Swanson, junior.

All of the codes in question were terminated Jan. 15, and a new policy is in place, according to Book.

Each night a new PIN number is now given to the groups of callers, Swanson said.

"It's a pain," Swanson said. "We used to have them memorized, which made it easier and quicker to call."

Book confirmed that some calls were international, but most were national.

New Union by Fall Term '98

by Sara Baker
News Editor

With President Bill Clinton and his speech writers frantically honing his State of the Union address for tomorrow evening, it seemed fitting to examine the state of Wartburg's union — its Student Union, that is.

According to Vice President for Administration and Finance Mike Book, Wartburg will see work on the Student Union beginning in May Term 1998, with the new Union completed by the beginning of the 1998 school year.

"Based on the drawings I've seen, it appears we're going to meet a number of needs. There are two major areas we're going to address: expansion of the food service and cooking facilities, and then we would concentrate on the dining area and the mail room and the entrance areas," he said.

Last year, architect Hovey Brom visited campus to examine the current facilities and determine what could be done for improvements.

Brom is out of the office until Feb. 17 and was unavailable for comment.

Despite last year's activity, Don Juhl, director of food service and the Student Union, said the upcoming construction of the new library pushed plans for the Student Union into the background.

"I think what slowed down the process was when the new library became a reality," said Juhl. "Obviously, somebody had to be first and somebody had to be last, and if (the Union project) had come before somebody else, somebody else would still be waiting."

The publication of Student Body President Matt Bode's essay on life at Wartburg has brought the concerns about the Student Union back to the surface (see story on page 2).

Bode called for more space for students away from faculty and staff, more "hang-out" space, a larger and more comfortable Den and bigger dining and food preparation areas in the Cafeteria.

Juhl echoed many of Bode's concerns, as well as adding his own.

"I'd love to say I'd love to bulldoze (the building) and start it over. It's almost impossible to access one part of the Union from another," Juhl said, saying the multi-level Union makes it "very difficult to make the building user-friendly."

Union

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Memory stolen from 23 Whitehouse Business Center computers last week

by Julie Huffman
Staff Writer

The memory from 23 computers in White House Business Center was stolen last weekend.

Memory can be added to a computer in the form of single in-line memory modules (SIMM's). This makes the computer run faster and more efficiently. Without enough memory in a computer, it will run slower and will not have the ability to run different programs.

In the computer lab, 16 megabytes of SIMM memory were stolen from 23 Macintosh LC III's.

The first SIMM was stolen Jan. 23, and sometime between 5 p.m., Jan. 24, and 8 a.m., Jan. 27, the other 22 SIMM's were stolen. The theft was first noticed by a student using a computer when it ran out of memory. Computer Services looked at it and determined that the SIMM was missing.

Last Monday, Computer Center Manager Tom Hausman notified Bud Potter, head of campus security, that the other SIMM's had been stolen. Potter then notified the police.

The police dusted for fingerprints both inside and outside of the computer. They also conducted several interviews to learn more about what happened and about the daily operations of the computer lab.

The police have no leads on who did it, but the 22 SIMMs have been put on the "FBI Wanted List." This list is connected to "hot shops" across the country.

If a SIMM appears in one of these shops with a serial number matching one that was stolen, the information will get back to the Waverly Police. With this information, they can determine who the thief is.

According to Potter, there have been many petty thefts in the computer labs. He called most of these "opportunity thefts," meaning items have been stolen one at a time and the thief had easy access to the item.

Photo by Nathan Friesen

SOME MEMORY GOES WITH AGE ... Someone took 16 megabytes of memory from each of 23 computers in the Whitehouse Business Center computer lab last weekend.

The WBC computer lab is open from 6 a.m. to 3 a.m. It is the only lab open that late. Campus Security patrols the labs at night. Potter said security tries to frequent the labs several times each night and get a visual image of who's in there and get an estimate of how many are in the lab.

Potter said he believes a security camera in the lab would stop a lot of theft and provide safety for the students. He said investing in a security camera would cost around $2,000, while 23 SIMM's at $139 each total $3,197.

Freshman hall strikes nerves on campus

by Stacy Demro
Staff Writer

The Wartburg campus was cold Monday night — except in Buhr Lounge.

Students, administration, faculty and staff filled the chairs at an open forum to discuss a first-year dorm Monday.

First Year Experience committee members Vicki Edelnant and Cheryl Budlong began the discussion with background information about the committee, which has proposed making the Complex a first-year residence hall next year.

Committee members are Budlong, Edelnant, Pete Armstrong, Lake Lambert, T. Todd Masman, Will Smith, Greg Allen, Val Jones, Kat Anderson and Anita Danzler.

The members have studied college satisfaction surveys taken in the ropes course, English 111 and Person and Society classes. In addition, resident assistants have turned in 74 surveys from the students on their floors.

"We started the first-year experience like maybe four years ago. There was a much larger concern about students coming, staying just one year, transferring or quitting school. And we felt, particularly at that time, we needed to be more intentional and help first-year students," said Budlong.

Photo by Emily Bock

COMPLEX CHATTER— Vicki Edelnant, left, and Cheryl Budlong, right, lead the discussion at the hot topics forum dealing with the issue of an all-freshman dorm next year. If current plans are enacted, the Complex will house only freshmen beginning Fall Term 1997.

First-year floors were initiated this year, and Budlong said based on the feedback, they have been successful.

Increased support services in the first-year dorm was one advantage presented at the forum. For example, Supplemental Instruction Sessions, the Pathways Center and Wartburg Writing Center will be easily accessible to first-year students.

Many students at the forum said meeting upperclass students and choosing where to live were the biggest issues.

"If you isolate the freshmen, you are building the walls you have worked hard to tear down," said freshman Ephraim Zamzow.

According to Edelnant, the first-year dorm would ideally boast a resident assistant-to-student ratio of one to 12.

Edelnant said students would have opportunities to meet older students through athletic teams, musical groups and other campus organizations.

Budlong and Edelnant said it has not been decided how this policy, if enacted, will affect transfer students or first-year students who want to live with upperclass students.

Disadvantages identified at the forum included upperclass student influence, housing for the rest of the student body, the lack of choice and the fact that some students are not persuaded by the advantages they have been offered.

"If you want to build a community, you don't put the senior citizens in one corner and the new couples in the other," said Laufa Hofer, sophomore.

"Diversity is a good thing throughout the college — including where you live and what grade you're in," said senior Ethan Huisman.

The discussion heated as some freshmen expressed concerns about being pushed into Clinton Hall so next year's freshman class can live in the Complex.

"Obviously the Complex was chosen based purely on the numbers. If we have approximately the same number of students next as we do this year, or maybe a little less, the Complex is the one hall that is the most, number-wise, ready to serve those students," said Budlong.

The committee will make a recommendation to Dr. Lex Smith, dean of students and vice president of student life, based on the research, surveys and issues discussed at the forum.

"Ultimately, the final decision will be mine in consultation with the president," said Smith.

Union

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According to Juhl, Bode is correct in his assessment of the "hang-out" space at Wartburg.

"I believe very strongly the campus needs to take a look at the non-academic side of student life and I think that's what they're trying to do with this Union project.

"It is a multi-purpose building and at many times, it is taken over by the college community and there is no room for the students," Juhl said.

Juhl said there is nothing wrong with faculty and student interaction, but there needs to be more space for students.

Assistant Professor of Physical Science Dan Black said he finds the call for more space between students and professors ironic.

"I came from a big university, and one of the big complaints there was that there wasn't enough student-faculty interaction. One of the nice things about Wartburg is that we can eat in the same place, we can see each other out of class. I think the interaction between students and faculty is good," he said.

Freshman John Borleske said he agrees with Bode and Juhl.

"Yes (we need more space) because we need a place to show our identities, to cut loose," he said

More room for minorities is another area that Juhl, like Bode, would like to see addressed.

"I can see the need for more space in this building for the international community and the African-American community so they have the opportunity to intermingle with the rest of the campus and still have some space for themselves," said Juhl.

While students are waiting for the changes due in 1998, Juhl said they will see smaller, internal changes between now and then, such as more coffee houses and free pool.

Both Book and Juhl said the current library building was considered as a potential site for the new Union, but the idea was discarded because of the cost of renovating the existing structure.

Student body president pleads for change

by Eric Allen
Editor

Red, four-page booklets popped up around campus this week, with underlined, heavy black words: The Social Complacency of a Small, Lutheran College Called Wartburg.

They appeared Monday on student and faculty bulletin boards, in campus offices and in the hands of campus leaders. It is Matt Bode's manifesto. It is a complaint and a request.

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It is 150 copies of what Wartburg's 1996-97 student body president says he understands his constituents to be saying.

In short, Bode wrote that Wartburg College is strong academically, but the college "is not dedicated enough to the social lives of its students."

Bode also calls for renovation of the Union, saying there is no good place for students to hang out and socially interact.

Bode, a junior history and religion major, said he feels many people are missing the big picture on accepting diversity. He wants to see a complete change in mentality, 180 degrees away from segregation.

"This isn't unique to Wartburg," Bode said. "It's in American society."

Bode calls for more support from "the top" to make sure students don't leave Wartburg with "the same self-centered, stereotypical and prejudiced views they had when they came in," citing the homogenous background of many Wartburg students as the challenge to overcome.

First-year orientation may include OCTAA

by Jill Benson and Erin Sandquist
Staff Writers

Although the second term of On Campus Talking About Alcohol (OCTAA) classes are little changed from Fall Term, significant changes for next year are in the works.

The first session was six hours long, but now all are eight hours in length. The extra two hours were added to include drug abuse along with the current information about alcohol. An all-day Saturday session was also added this term, in addition to the series of Wednesday night two hour classes.

Head of Residential Life Pete Armstrong said residential life and the counseling center will discuss changes in the program for next year.

The possibility of incorporating OCTAA into the Freshman Orientation Program has been suggested.

This information about alcohol and drugs could possibly deter the students from making high risk choices their first year at college.

Some Wartburg students disagree that OCTAA should be included into Freshman Orientation.

"I don't think that would be a very good idea because it does not apply to everyone," said Jim Licko, freshman.

"No, I don't think it should be because students are educated enough to make decisions on their own," said freshman T.J. Heither, who has been through the OCTAA program.

Armstrong said he believes students have not totally embraced the OCTAA program but thinks they are learning to accept the process.

The Student Senate Student Relations Committee proposed some other changes

Photo by Nathan Friesen

BUD LIGHT OR BUD DRY? — Why ask why? OCTAA classes may make underage drinkers think twice about taking either option.

for the OCTAA program, including the use of a breathalyzer to determine whether a student has been drinking, or different forms of punishment such as fines and community service.

The Student Relations Committee also agreed with the idea of including OCTAA in the orientation activities.

No definite decisions have been made about next year's OCTAA program. The suggestions made will be taken into consideration and discussed by residential life and the counseling center.

Armstrong stressed that residential life and the counseling center are open to ideas concerning workable and enforceable compromises with the OCTAA program.

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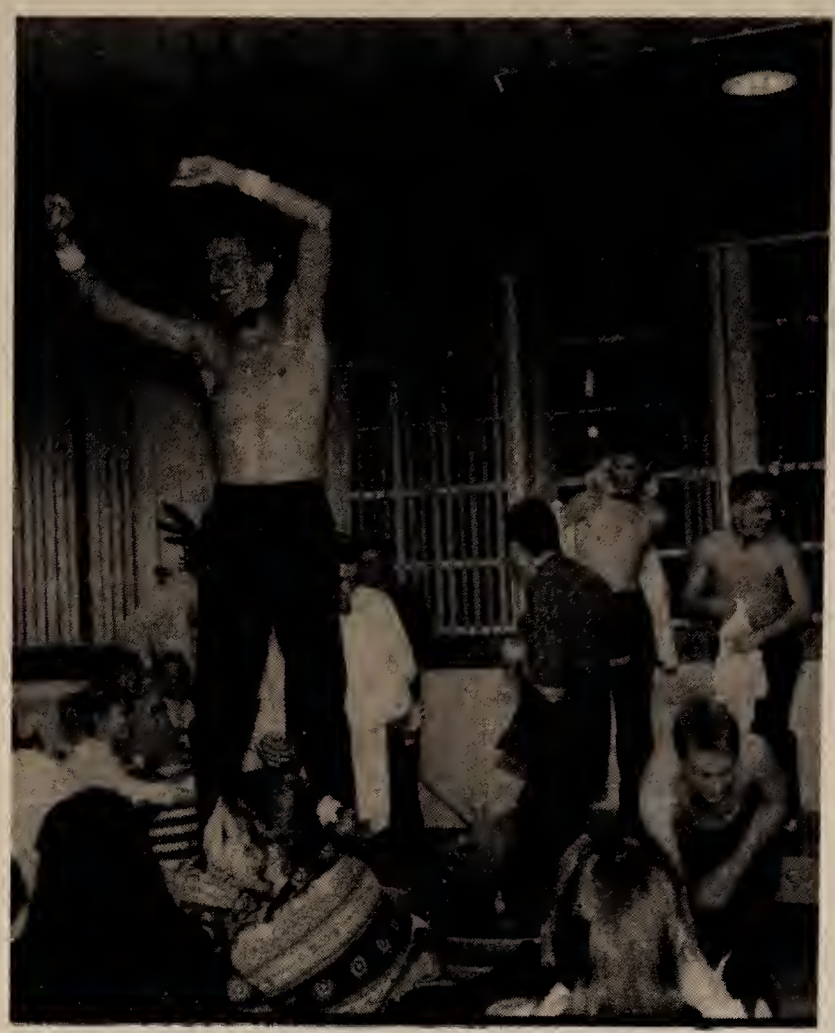

Photo by Nathan Friesen

NOT SO SLEEPY— Ryan Harms, sophomore, danced around and joined in the fun of the Pajama Party held in the Caf on Thursday night. Door prizes ranging from a mountain bike to Spam tennis balls were plentiful.

Re-living the 'Wars'

Commentary

by Dan Wardell
Staff Writer

For those of us with "Star Wars Fever," this weekend will long be remembered. We re-visited the Mos Eisley Contina, were re-introduced to the ways of the Force and fell back in love with the adventures of a young farmboy named Luke Skywalker.

All thanks to a man named George Lucas and the re-release of "Star Wars."

Originally released 20 years ago, it is "arguably the best thing to hit Western culture since the Bible," jokes "Star Wars" fan, senior Charlie Rod.

But with this cult, there are fans and there are fanatics.

Observing the long lines waiting for the re-release on Friday, it was obvious who was whom. The fans were wearing "Star Wars" t-shirts, hats and pins whereas the fanatics appeared dressed in wonderous full-body costumes.

There were Darth Vaders, Obi-Wans and, yes, even a few Wookies. Some even carried around homemade lightsabers and had mock duels in front of cheering crowds.

But fans and fanatics aren't the only ones enjoying this re-release.

Retailers, too, are cashing in on this spectacular event, as "Star Wars" can be seen stamped on the side of virtually every product imaginable. Retailers know that with the "Star Wars" seal of approval collectors will come in droves and buy in bulk.

Traditionally, toys have been the most popular items for collectors, but this year there are several interesting alternatives.

One such alternative is a life-size replica of a Star Wars Stormtrooper. Constructed completely of fiberglass, this Imperial stands 6'2", is limited to 500 copies and retails at $5,000.

And appropriately and predictably enough, it's found its home on the web. At "www.starwars.com" you can enter the official webpage. Here you can receive jedi training from Yoda, read exclusive interviews with George Lucas and even print out a picture of Boba Fett to color!

This page also has a countdown clock for the release of the second and third installments. The "Empire Strikes Back will be released in less than 20 days and "Return of the Jedi" in a little over 30.

Without a doubt, Star Wars is one of the most imaginable stories ever created, earning the right to be a part of history and our hearts.

Yet, there are those who do not have "Star Wars Fever." In fact, there are those who have never even seen this cultural icon, nearly making them social outcasts.

It is these un-enlightened few who, "underestimate the powers of the dark-side." Do these people a favor and take them to see the magic, "one last time."

Luke or Wookie?

How well do you know Star Wars?

1. Han Solo was nearly captured by _____ in the Mos Eisley Cantina?
   a. Muftak
   b. Greedo
   c. Spock
   d. Wuher

2. The Death Star is _____?
   a. Something you shoot hoops with
   b. Something Pinnochio wished upon
   c. A popular chain of fast food restaurants
   d. A big planet-destroying war center

3. Which one of these people was not one of Darth Vader's cronies?
   a. General Tagge
   b. Admiral Motti
   c. Admiral Ackbar
   d. Grand Moff Tarkin

4. C3PO is fluent in over ___ million forms of communication?
   a. 3
   b. 4
   c. 5
   d. 6

5. What is the name of the band who performed in the Mos Cantina?
   a. Sy Snootles and the Max Rebo Band
   b. Shub Nub and the Diagonias
   c. Wedge Antilles and the X-Wings
   d. Figrin D'an and the Modal Nodes

Answer Key: 1-b, 2-d, 3-c, 4-d, 5-d

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4-Force adept
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Editorial

Morality check

The irony is staggering. That in the same week a convocation speaker advocated individual responsibility as the way for a community to prosper, it is announced Wartburg students have been stealing phone time from the college by using department PIN numbers. PIN numbers assigned so the students could talk to prospective students, parents and alumni on behalf of Wartburg! Are these the people we want representing us?!

It is one thing to say Wartburg's tuition is a rip-off and you deserve money back; it is clearly another to rip it off. And there is no need to argue over any fine lines about taking a little being okay.

$52,000! 32,000 calls!

That's more time on the phone in 17 months than a junior high girl. A little bit anyway.

That elusive "moral decay" in our society - the buzzword for a while in the media - is hitting too close for comfort. Theft of computer memory?

Feces in a clothes dryer?

How can we expect the hundreds of students who visited Wartburg over the past two weekends to want to come to a school where one can't trust her neighbors?

How can we expect improvements to be made, like cable television in all dorms, or a new Student Union, when we show we cannot be trusted?

Establishing trust in a community is a valuable and difficult thing, and one has a tendency to take it for granted when it is in place. We build on it, like Maslow described (Intro. to Psych.) with his "hierarchy of needs." It is much easier to break down than to build, and reconstruction can be an ugly thing on the outside.

Rebuilding trust takes honesty, especially after blatantly disregarding it.

And when you think about it, doesn't most of the sin in the world relate back to somebody not being honest.

This is a week when our trust must be repaired.

Apology

We realize we have created quite an eye-strain with this two-page spread for opinion. We apologize to you and your optometrists for this ugliness.

An increase in letters to the editor demanded the space. We do not guarantee this is possible every week, which is why the letter policy is reprinted below.

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Column

People must be willing

Izumi Yamashita

Around the World

Matt Bode, student body president, addressed last week the social issue at Wartburg through a letter "The Social Complacency of a Small, Lutheran College Called Wartburg." He talks in his letter about complacency of Wartburg College by just bringing minority students to the campus but not supporting interaction between the majority and minority students.

As one of minorities here, I indeed am uncomfortable and little intimidated whenever I join in a large group of majority students not because they give me hard time, but because I don't share many things that the rest of students at Wartburg do. I am always afraid of being lonely and unwelcomed in this situation. This is why we don't see much diversity at Wartburg in major social activities like Homecoming and Christmas with Wartburg.

We learn a lot from interacting with different people.

I still feel a little intimidation in it because it seems I am far different from other members — I am not Caucasian, American and Christian. But we also can share the same thing — all people in the choir has something to say through Christian music pieces. When each person emotionally talks about oneself, and all voices from spirit get together and make one body, our music comes to so beautiful and inspiring. This is what I learned from Choir.

It is just easy and safe staying with those who I can share my background. This is the way it is, and there is nothing wrong about forming groups with same interests and backgrounds, but personally I'd like to see more diversity on this campus not only in terms of the number of diversity and international students on the campus but the number of their involvement here.

Matt mentioned in his letter that we need to have some supports from Wartburg College to promote interaction among different students. I agree with him on the point. It is great if the college makes a situation that many students can interact easily. I, however, think there are already settings to interact people by joining in activities. If the college offers great opportunities, but people are not willing to interact with those who share differences from them, nothing would be happened.

Letter

Reality can't stop the smile

When I first came on the campus of Wartburg College I thought everything was going to be, "such a community of understanding." Silly me for believing what the Wartburg College brochure said. Reality hit me in the face really fast!

It is sad that we are now entering a new millennium with the same problems such as racism and the way people feel about homosexuality. Yes, I am an African American, and a Gay Male so does that make me an unacceptable person? Well I certainly feel like an outcast, I guess it's not hard to feel like an outcast when your fellow classmates look at you with disgust on their faces and refuse to speak back when you say hello. I might be wrong but I definitely feel a little tension there, and all I am doing is being myself.

No matter how many times people turn the GABLES and Friends fliers around, send me hate mail, call and hang up, look at me with disgust I will still walk around with a smile on my face for I am here to get an education and no one will run me away from this opportunity my people have worked so hard and died for. Previously, a senior by the name of Mr. Toby Gibbs wrote a letter to the editor about my actions on educating the campus about homosexuality. Mr. Gibbs was basically stating if my facts were the result of education or opinion. Well, Mr. Gibbs, the data I have been presenting are definitely facts for I am not trying to persuade people, but educate people about homosexuality. I challenge anyone whom objects that the facts I present is a case of persuasion.

On the fourth of February GABLES and Friends will have their first annual Formal Dinner and Panel Discussion about Homosexuality. The panel consist of a professor at UNI, Susan Vallem, Matt Armstrong and Carol Culton-Heine will present facts based on research about their chosen topics.

I am an individual that cares enough to make my life public to set an example that homosexual's are of class, talented, educated and most of all human. I am an individual whom wants to share with the world that there is nothing wrong with being who you are. I am an individual that isn't ashamed to stand up for what I believe in, and get marked as a crazy individual, for all of our leaders today and in the past has once been marked as a crazy person some time in their life. I am a human being that is proud to say I am Black and Gay!

Dannel Mitchell,
freshman

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Column

College not accountable for deciding what students think

Justin Schaefer

Now Wait a Minute ...

Wartburg College: the melting pot of issues, races, ideas and beliefs. The manifesto by Student Body President Matt Bode caught my eye and many others' this week.

First of all Wartburg does have many problems, but Wartburg as an institution does not need to take responsibility for changing students' minds in social avenues. This is where student involvement must come into play.

If a student believes in something, they find a way and get involved. Why are there so many groups on campus that gather together because of a specified cause? What is nice about Wartburg is that students are given both sides of an issue. It then becomes the student's responsibility to draw conclusions.

The Student Body President has finally made himself known by publishing a four-page Guide to a Small College. A quote from the manifesto: "the fact is that students are leaving this campus after four years without expanding their social horizons."

I would like to know where that statistic came from. How many people just sit inside their dorms and do not interact with anyone? I will agree that these people have a problem and are not fit for college. I feel Wartburg does not need the responsibility to take students by the hand and help them enter into society.

Wartburg offers many practical experiences for all types of students. It is the students' responsiblity to better themselves. They do not need to have their hands held in the process.

Can the college really be held accountable for reinventing what a student thinks? That is a very tough task, and is one that happens on an individual basis. The college would have to take a student who already has 18 or 19 years of knowledge under his or her wings, brainwash them and make them think with a Wartburg College liberal arts education.

I think that is absurd to consider giving a school that much power. The College has other concerns that are more pressing.

We as students have the sole responsiblity to become better people.

Phone fraud calls out for leadership

It is with deep concern that I report to you on several troubling issues affecting the trust and ethical values which guide our community life. Tuesday's convocation with Dr. Keeling on community and individual responsibility provides a shared context for reporting my concerns.

Last week's *Trumpet* described several acts of vandalism in the Complex, most likely the result of abusive drinking. In recent days theft of stereo equipment from a suite in Grossmann Hall has been reported, 22 memory boards were removed from computers in Whitehouse Business Center (estimated cost in excess of $3,000), tire stems on a student's car were cut, and as we are reporting on Monday, that the college has uncovered widespread misuse of several college pin numbers.

These pin numbers were originally assigned to students making calls on behalf of the college. Over a matter of months, those pin numbers have apparently been passed on from one student to another, and we believe several hundred students are involved in the misuse of these numbers.

Many other students may be aware of this misuse by friends or roommates. Students will receive a letter from Mike Book, Vice President for Finanace and Administration, describing the extent of this problem, its impact on the community, and possible consequences.

We have talked with administrators, some faculty and the president of the student body at length about how to respond. We are amazed and disappointed how pin numbers could have been passed along to so many people, without someone questioning this activity.

The total amount of calls is estimated to be in excess of $50,000. I ask myself how such misuse could apparently be so pervasive in a community in which faith and values shape our common lives.

For now we have decided on two courses of action. First, there will be a 10-day amnesty period during which time students who placed calls on one of the college pin numbers can accept the responsibility for those calls and their payment.

Second, as a community we need to talk about what happened, why it happened, how it became so pervasive and what we can do to reshape the contextual reality that influences the behavior and values by which we live.

We are planning discussions in the residence halls. Faculty have been invited to discuss these issues with students. I will invite the Honor Council to assist in these discussions. The Student Conduct Board will be asked to offer suggestions on the next steps to take following the amnesty period.

What can we do? Keeling suggested to us that re-creating community is an ongoing and necessary process to change contextual relationships. Small acts of leadership are needed. Those involved in any of the described incidents need to accept responsibility for their behavior. We need to challenge each other when we see destructive behavior taking place. We need to question unethical behavior when we witness it. We need to re-affirm the many positive aspects of our community life and work together to re-create community.

I hope you will participate in conversations about these issues. I hope you will offer suggestions. We need acts of individual leadership.

Lex Smith,
Dean of Students

Letter

German exchange runs amok

Guten Tag, once more from Germany. Lately I've been hearing a considerable amount of discussion over Wartburg's foreign study programs. Being one of numerous students participating in a study abroad program this year, I'll take this opportunity to throw my two cents in the ever-growing pot of opinions. The topics of this letter will be numbers. Specifically, three numbers: 13,000, 6, and 3.5.

13,000: Roughly the amount of money I am paying to Wartburg college this year, for the experience of studying here. This number does not factor in the extra $11,000 that Wartburg college has estimated this year will cost, bringing the total for seven months of study to $24,000. Did you know that in Europe and elsewhere throughout the world, students only pay for their books and supplies?

The reason I'm paying Wartburg all of this money is so that they can pay the German government for me to be over here, right? Wrong. Wartburg keeps my $13,000. I was told that the money that we were paying to Wartburg, was going for "support services."

"True", they said, "if you enrolled directly the German school, you would pay only a fraction of what you'll pay us, but then we wouldn't be here to help you during the year." This sounded pretty good in the winter of 1995-96.

I have talked to other American students over here. They pay their universities, Concordia and South Dakota at Vermillion respectively, full tuition for the year.

The money that they pay their universities comes back to them in the form of a check each month. Almost 100 percent by the end of the year.

6: The number of courses that I am taking this term. Most European students take somewhere between 10 and 12 courses per semester.

The two other American universities previously mentioned require their students to obtain just two or three per term to receive full credit for the year.

3.5: The credit that my six courses translate to back at Wartburg. In and of itself six classes, in my opinion, are reasonable. Six "Scheins" (full credits - many of the 10 to 12 courses German students take are only participatory, not full credit) are, a bit more of a stretch, but if I get full credit for the term (4 credits), I suppose that is also tolerable. However, working for six""Scheins" and then recieving only 3.5 credits for the semester; that is a little hard to take. We have done just as much homework for our classes as anyone would have done back in Waverly.

A couple months ago, President Vogel and his wife were here in Jena and took me and the other Wartburg student out to lunch.

This lunch has been one of the only times we have received "support services" from Wartburg college.

Support could have been given last year, when I asked over and over again what I should be taking for classes, and everyone said, "Don't worry about it. You will sign up for classes when you get over to Germany, and will recieve full credit for the year." Now I'm receiving 3.5 credits for one of the more difficult semesters of my college career. Support could have been given in the form of a check every month, thus giving me some of my $13,000 dollars back to me.

By the way, if anyone in the controller's office wants to start doing that now, there are also students in France, Japan, Mexico, and maybe other places that I missed. Furthermore, I encourage the administration to seriously examine the study abroad programs currently in existence at the college. They are in need of re-evaluation and major reconstruction.

Despite the numerous shortcomings of the foreign study programs currently in place at Wartburg, my experience has, to this point in Jena, been a wholly positive one. The disorganization on the part of the college should not over-shadow the fact that study abroad programs are one of the greatest opportunities that a college student will ever have. I encourage anyone who has even considered applying for a semster or a year abroad to do it. It is an experience you will never forget. I know I won't.

Jesse Leichsenring,
junior

Letter

Thought comes before speech

What words come to your mind when you are so angry at someone you just want to lash out at them in some way? Do we think to tell them why we are angry or do we just call them names? What insult comes to your mind first?

Last week in the cafeteria, a student emptying his dishes became angry at another student who was working behind the window of the dish room because the student worker reminded the student to throw his silverware in the silverware bin. What was his response? To call the student "stupid" and add on the student's ethnic origin.

It seems to me there are a couple of issues here. The first is the way we treat each other in general and specifically, how our actions in the cafeteria affect the work environment of the students who work there.

Perhaps that can be addressed in another article. The second issue is the issue of racism. We often talk about racism in society and on campus but we're all sure that it doesn't apply to us. But I think as we grow up, we absorb enough negative images of people of color, or people of ethnic groups different than our own, of women, of gays or lesbians, or people with disabilities ... the list goes on and on ... that these things become a part of our subconscious.

Why do we use these words when we want to hurt someone? How else could a negative epithet come so easily to us when we are angry? If we don't think someone's ethnic origin is something bad, why else would we connect it with the word "stupid" and why would we consider it an insult?

I think this incident gives us all a chance to think about our own learned stereotypes. I believe we ALL have absorbed these negative images of other people who are different than we are in some way. Isn't the challenge for all of us to think about the people that we feel uncomfortable with , to examine the stereotypes that create that distance and to try to see each person as an individual, not as a member of a group that we can't possibly relate to?

Student Body President Matt Bode will be meeting with groups of students in the next few weeks to try to get some conversation started about issues that are important to all of us at Wartburg. Perhaps this could be one of the issues we start to talk about.

Janet Alexander,
Director of International Relations

College forgot to celebrate MLK, Jr.'s birthday

Is Wartburg College a part of the American Nightmare? I find Wartburg's absence of celebrating Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday an outrage. Now, some readers may ask, wasn't there a convocation in his name? Or Monday's program at which Rickey Hall, Director of Student Diversity Programs, spoke. Was that enough?

For a religious institution that prides itself on being committed to diversity, where were the workshops, student panels, community service projects and programs that correlate with the dream of our slain civil rights leader? Wasn't Dr. King a man of God?

I'm not asking Wartburg to use January 20th as a day that entitles people to have a long weekend, although classes aren't held on Good Friday. I'm challenging our school to follow through with its commitment in educating us on American history as a whole.

I, along with a large percentage of other African-American students come from inner cities where it's a given to celebrate Dr. King's accomplishments, and most of all, the manner in which he sacrificed for all of humanity.

So don't be surprised when minority students see the lack of celebration as a slap in the face.

Anytime one student (Meloyne Wimbley) does more than the whole school attempts, I see fault on the school's side.

We need knowledge of the past to do what needs to be done in the present. Let's face it, before we deal with other social issues, race relations in America have to be resolved. Dr. King realized the importance of this and dedicated his life to it.

As Mrs. Evers-Williams said, "we need to work together." So why doesn't Wartburg College devote one day of learning to an individual who taught so much?

Teresa Honeycutt,
junior

Ox rules the Chinese New Year

by Eric Allen
Editor

An ornate dragon figure, relying on the rhythmic dancing of Chinese men beneath its slick body and ornate head, weaves patterns through the streets where there is raucous celebration, chest-pounding beats from drums, and people partying in anticipation of good fortune. The dragon bows three times in front of a store window and the storeowner gives the dragon a red envelope.

Families put red paper on the walls and decorate it with symbols of unity and wishes for good health.

Houses are cleaned top to bottom, except for the red wall paper.

An entire country takes work off for three days.

This holiday is also celebrated in the United States, but the traditions behind the Chinese New Year differ dramatically from the big ball dropping in Times Square. And it falls at a different time than in the Western world.

In fact, the Chinese New Year's Day is Feb. 7 — Friday.

The Chinese New Year is based on the Lunar cycle.

Photo by Eric Allen

MY TIME OF YEAR—Comis Loken, a junior from Hong Kong, says Wartburg students should "clean everything" to wash away bad fortune and celebrate the Chinese New Year.

The moon's rotation around the Earth has been used for centuries as a way of not only telling time, but also setting the schedule for the 12-animal Chinese zodiac.

Friday marks the beginning of the year of the Ox, which, according to Chinese mythology, symbolizes the hard worker. It is the second animal in the lineage of the Chinese Lunar cycle. A person born in the years 1937, '49, '61, '73, '85 or '97 is honest, persevering in all endeavors, and has a great sense of responsibility.

These are the people who will have an especially good year, according to Chinese tradition, but that doesn't mean an Ox can just sit back and slack off.

Oxen have to earn their good fortune, just like everyone else. The Chinese New Year means participating in traditions that will bring blessings. It's about cleansing bad luck and all-things-negative.

The New Year is the time to welcome the positive and wish it upon others, according to Comis Loken, a junior who this year transferred from Waldorf College. Loken, 31, is from Hong Kong and is a Music Education major.

Spending time with family and eating an excellent dinner on New Year's Eve is an honored tradition of the Chinese New Year, according to Loken, and it is her favorite part of the celebration.

Indeed, food is central in the Chinese celebration. Fine foods, rare fruits, candies and pastries, and the best of fish are purchased ahead of time and laid aside.

Fish are a very positive symbol for the Chinese and Loken's family because the same sound for fish (nee-nee now-u), also means "more than enough." At this time of year it is common to hear the Chinese wish this blessing upon friends and family.

Loken's family eats fish on the first day of the New Year, and her parents used to distribute "kum pao," red envelopes, or "pockets" as Loken calls them, containing "lucky money." The amount of Yen, the Chinese currency, may range from coins to even the equivalent of one hundred dollars in American money.

Children and unmarried youth approach adults they know and say "gong ni fatoy," which means "good luck." And that is reason enough for married adults to grant the young person a red envelope with a gift inside.

The red envelopes are one of the most popular items of the Chinese celebration, of course, but Loken says she hasn't seen too many of them anywhere around east-central Iowa.

But Wartburg students will receive one of these envelopes if they go to the Cafeteria for supper on Friday.

Chinese food will also be served, and students are asked to wear red. Those who do may be eligible to win a Wartburg sweatshirt or a wok from the Bookstore.

Like fish and so many other traditions in the Chinese New Year celebration, the color red is a strong symbol. It represents good fortune, good health, happiness and long life.

"Gong xi fa chai "
or
"Good health and long life"

Red paper may be put up in the house and decorated with symbols that pass on these qualities. But not before the house is thoroughly cleaned, top to bottom. It's not about cleansing the soul, or particularly for sanitary reasons, but instead representative of cleansing bad fortune from the house, in hopes of a good year.

Loken says she has already done her New Year's cleaning, and she recommends that Wartburg students do the same thing.

"Clean your room, clean your dishes, clean everything," says Loken.

Wish someone a Chinese blessing, "Gong xi [zee] fa chai." Or "good health and long life."

Clean your room to make room for good fortune.

Or say to someone married and older than you "gong ni fatoy," and count your treasures.

Or perhaps you can get a dragon to bow three times at the front door of your room.

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Men capture IIAC sweep on home court

by Greg Berry
Staff Writer

The men's basketball team picked up their first Iowa Conference weekend sweep in over a year, defeating both William Penn and Central at home.

William Penn

The men's basketball team took advantage of excellent shooting, beating the Statesmen Friday, 73-67.

Wartburg and Penn traded the lead several times during the first five minutes of the game before the Knights started to pull away.

Bryan Myers and B.J. Supple nailed key three-pointers, allowing Wartburg to take a 14-8 advantage midway through the first half.

With less than five minutes left in the half, the Knights led by as many as eight. Penn would stay close for the rest of the half, whittling the lead down to two before Wartburg went up by four heading into the locker room, 28-24.

The battle continued during the second half, and the Knights managed to hang on to the lead. They led by as many as 12 with just under six minutes remaining. However, the Statesmen cut that lead to five.

Erik Book, held scoreless in the first half, came on to spark the Knights in the final 1:30 of the game, hitting seven of eight free throws in the last minute.

"He's become our ball handler and has done a great job," Simmons said.

The Knights shot 55 percent in the game. Kloster and Supple paced Wartburg with 17 points each. Myers finished the game with 13 points and eight rebounds.

"Supple has gotten better; he's paid his dues," Simmons said.

Central

Wartburg ran their winning streak to two games Saturday, beating the Flying Dutch, 57-51.

The Knights took an early 13-5 lead, only to see Central tie the game at 15.

Wartburg ran up a 10-point lead but allowed Central back into the game, as the Dutch cut that lead to three at the half.

The Knights were held scoreless for the last two and a half minutes of the first half and the first four minutes of the second. "We were concerned with the offensive lull that lasted into the second half, but the defense held their own."

Wartburg answered with a four-minute, 8-0 run, and did not relinquish the lead for the rest of the night, going up by as many as 11. The Flying Dutch managed to cut the lead to five, as the final score was 57-51.

"We had great fan support both nights; that makes for great atmosphere."

Myers led Wartburg with a game-high 15 points, while grabbing 10 rebounds. Shane Stocks added 13 points and three assists.

Currently, Cam Schuknecht, Travis Montgomery, Derik VanBaale and Antonio Hitchcock are all on the inactive roster.

The battered Knights will take their 4-4 confernce record to Simpson on Tuesday and host Upper Iowa and the University of Dubuque this weekend.

Photo by Carrie Lawton

TOUGH D—Rich Kloster and Matt Wheeler work on defense in Saturday night's game against Central. The Knights picked up two wins last weekend, winning both by six-point spreads.

Wrestlers annihilate foes at Iowa Conference duals

by Carrie Lawton
Managing Editor

"Dominance" is an understatement for Wartburg's performance at the Iowa Conference Duals Saturday in Storm Lake.

Head Coach Jim Miller said the team wanted to dominate their opponents.

"We wanted to set the tone for the conference tournament," said Miller. That is exactly what they did.

The Knights prevailed over every opponent the Iowa Conference could throw at them: Central, 40-3; Simpson, 28-6; Dubuque, 47-0; and Upper Iowa, 40-3.

Central

Central, the first opponent of the day, gave the Knights the upper hand, forfeiting four of the 10 weight classes. Wartburg only lost two matches in the contest.

Ryan Cunningham (118) had a convincing win over his adversary, 11-0.

Also helping Wartburg in a big way was Brian Roberts at 158. Roberts threw Enda Breadon in just 47 seconds.

Simpson

Against the Storm, Wartburg again lost only two matches.

Roberts once again dominated his opponent, throwing Casey Aldridge in 3:51 at 158.

At 134, Dusty Rhodes rose above his opponent to take the match, 14-5.

Dubuque

The Knights shut out the Spartans with three wrestlers throwing their opponents, and the largest point spread was 13.

At 118, Cunningham threw his adversary in 1:02. Tom Smith at 126 took a few seconds longer before getting the pin, throwing his opponent in 1:18. Chris Ortner also scored a pin. He threw Matt Ullom in 1:08.

Rhodes at 134 and Mike Alesch at 177 both pounded their Spartans by 13 points.

Upper Iowa

Wartburg only allowed the Peacocks one win in the contest. Smith lead the Knights, pinning Jason Linneweber in 4:27.

In this match-up, the Knights' largest point spread came from Dave Marrah at 134. Marrah beat his opponent 21-8.

Next weekend Wartburg travels to Decorah to compete in the All-Lutheran Tournament. Miller said the team won't make any changes, but he is hoping Matt Powelka and Blake Miller are healed for the meet.

Knights in Action

Women's Basketball

WARTBURG 52, WILLIAM PENN 47

WILLIAM PENN—Warner 1-4 0-1 2, Vadnais 0-2 0-0 0, Gudenkauf 9-18 0-3 18, Speilbauer 5-12 0-0 12, Pepper 4-12 0-0 8, Pickering 1-7 1-2 3, Helfers 1-6 2-2 4. **Totals 21-61 3-8 47.**

WARTBURG—Matthias 3-9 0-1 6, Wulkow 5-13 2-3 12, Nettleton 5-9 3-7 13, Bailey 2-3 0-0 5, Baethke 1-10 3-4 5, Wilkinson 0-3 0-1 0, Sandvold 1-2 0-0 2, Michels 1-1 0-2 2, Phillmann 2-6 0-1 4, Vrba 1-5 1-2 3. **Totals 21-62 9-21 52.**

WILLIAM PENN.....27 20—47
WARTBURG.....31 21—52

3-point field goals— Wm. Penn 2-9 (Spielbauer 2), Wartburg 1-1 (Bailey). Rebounds—Wm. Penn 42 (Gudenkauf, Helfers 8) Wartburg 47 (Nettleton 10). Assists— Wm. Penn 10 (Pickering 5), Wartburg 15 (Wilkinson, Vrba 3). Turnovers—Wm. Penn 22 (Pickering 7), Wartburg 21 (Wilkinson 4). A—350.

WARTBURG 59, CENTRAL 52

CENTRAL— Curley 1-3 0-0 2, Hanson 2-11 1-5 5, Sterling 4-8 0-0 8, Fans 1-3 0-0 5, Albee 3-7 1-3 7, Cooper 3-4 1-2 8, Bandstra 1-1 1-2 3, Sorenson 3-5 2-5 8, Buckner 1-4 2-2 4, Achterhof 0-4 2-2 2, Koskamp 1-1 0-0 2. **Totals 20-51 10-21 52.**

WARTBURG— Matthias 2-5 3-6 7, Wulkow 1-6 1-2 3, Nettleton 2-5 2-2 6, Bailey 1-4 6-8 8, Baethke 3-9 2-4 8, Hansen 1-1 0-0 2, Wilkinson 1-3 0-0 2, Sandvold 2-3 0-0 5, Phillmann 4-9 4-6 12, Zam 1-3 0-1 2, Vrba 1-3 2-4 4. **Totals 19-52 20-33 59.**

CENTRAL.....25 27—52
WARTBURG.....21 38—59

3-point field goals— Central 2-6 (Fans, Cooper), Wartburg 1-4 (Sandvold). Rebounds— Central 32 (Hanson 10), Wartburg 43 (Nettleton 9). Assists— Central 8, Wartburg 9 (Bailey 3). Turnovers— Central 18 (Sterling 6), Wartburg 17 (Baethke, Wulkow 3). A—1204.

Men's Basketball

WARTBURG 73, WILLIAM PENN 67

WILLIAM PENN—Smith 2-9 0-0 4, Holz 4-7 0-0 8, Schutt 2-4 0-0 4, Cunningham 5-8 4-4 14, Stanley 3-4 0-0 6, Rix 2-11 0-0 6, Meins 2-8 0-0 5, Jones 4-10 1-1 11, Windy 0-0 2-4 2, Hill 1-5 1-2 3, Abad 2-4 0-0 4. **Totals 27-70 8-11 67.**

WARTBURG—Kloster 7-9 2-4 17, Wheeler 2-3 0-0 4, Myers 6-16 0-0 13, Book 2-6 8-11 12, Stocks 1-2 8-8 10, Supple 4-4 6-8 17. **Totals 22-40 24-31 73.**

WILLIAM PENN.....24 43—67
WARTBURG.....28 45—73

3-point field goals— Wm. Penn 5-21 (Jones, Rix 2), Wartburg 5-10 (Supple 3). Rebounds—Wm. Penn 30 (Holz 11), Wartburg 33 (Myers 8). Assists— Wm. Penn 11 (Stanley 5), Wartburg 12 (Stocks 5). Turnovers— Wm. Penn 8 (Holz 3), Wartburg 19 (Book 5). A—987.

WARTBURG 57, CENTRAL 51

CENTRAL—Schmidt 2-9 0-0 5, Hoch 4-13 0-0 8, Oleson 5-8 0-3 10, Thompson 1-2 0-0 3, Geering 2-8 2-3 8, Johnson 0-2 0-0 0, Weedin 1-4 1-2 4, Frazell 0-0 0-0 0, Kuecker 1-1 0-0 2, Uhlmann 0-2 0-0 0, Dillinger 5-9 1-1 11. **Totals 21-58 4-9 51.**

WARTBURG—Kloster 3-11 2-2 8, Wheeler 4-6 2-2 10, Myers 6-12 3-6 15, Book 1-7 1-2 3, Stocks 6-10 1-2 13, Sheetz 0-0 0-0 0, Supple 2-3 1-2 6, Archer 0-1 2-2 2. **Totals 22-50 12-18 57.**

CENTRAL.....31 20—51
WARTBRUG.....34 23—57

3-point field goals— Central 5-22 (Geering 2), Wartburg 1-6 (Supple). Rebounds—Central 33 (Oleson 10), Wartburg 35 (Myers 10). Assists— Central 11 (Geering 4), Wartburg 7 (Stocks 3). Turnovers—Central 16 (Oleson 4), Wartburg 14 (Kloster, Supple 3). A—1300.

Wrestling
Iowa Conference Duals at Storm Lake

WARTBURG 40, CENTRAL 6—118-Ryan Cunningham dec. White 11-0; 126-Tom Smith won by forfeit; 134-Dusty Rhodes won by forfeit;142-Breeding dec.Kevin Miller 15-8; 150-Greg Halsor dec. Hufford 8-4; 158-Brian Roberts threw Breadon :47; 167-Mike Alesch dec. Robert 8-3; 177-Mike Rupe won by forfeit; 190-Chris Ortner won by forfeit; HWT.-Yeoman dec. Kris O'Rear 6-3

WARTBURG 28, SIMPSON 6—118-Ryan Cunningham dec. Fry 4-2; 126-Tom Smith dec. Matt Young 6-1; 134-Dusty Rhodes dec. Hatfield 14-5; 142-Kevin Miller dec. Hammer 10-4; 150-Greg halsor dec. Christensen 5-2; 158-Brian Roberts thre Aldridge, 3:51; 167-Ben Jobgen dec. Norton 8-3; 177-Chris Ortner dec. Kalainoff 6-3; 191-McGraw dec. Kris O'Rear 5-1; HWT.-Jeremy Whalen dec. Jeff Clark 3-2.

WARTBURG 47, DUBUQUE 0—118-Ryan Cunningham threw Tomei 1:02; 126-Tom Smith threw Tremble 1:18; 134-Dusty Rhodes dec. Goldstein 17-4; 142-Curtis Johnson dec. Manz 7-1; 150-Greg Halsor dec. Luensman 6-0; 158-Carson Andort dec. Gordon 6-4; 167-Mike Rupe dec. Kenworthy 12-3; 177-Mike Alesch dec. Hoffler 19-6; 190-Chris Ortner threw Ullom, 1:08; HWT.-Jeff Clark dec. Thirey 3-2.

WARTBURG 40, UPPER IOWA 3—118-Ryan Cunningham won by forfeit; 126-Tom Smith threw Linneweber 4:27; 134-Dave Marrah dec. Elliott 21-8;142-Kevin Miller dec. Reed 15-6; 150-Raiber dec. Greg Halsor 8-4; 158-Brian Roberts dec. Peach 11-4; 167-Ben Jobgen dec. Nadeau 17-6; 177-Chris Ortner dec. Birt 4-3; 190-Kris O'Rear dec. Moore 11-3; HWT.-Jeff Clark dec. Lyness 6-0.

Iowa Conference Basketball Standings

standings through games of Saturday, Feb. 1

Women

Team	IIAC	Overall
Luther	5-1	10-4
Loras	5-1	10-4
Buena Vista	6-2	12-4
Wartburg	6-2	10-6
Central	4-2	7-7
Simpson	3-5	6-9
Upper Iowa	3-5	7-9
Dubuque	0-8	8-9
William Penn	0-6	3-10

Men

Team	IIAC	Overall
Buena Vista	7-1	13-4
Central	4-2	9-6
Upper Iowa	5-3	12-5
Simpson	5-3	12-5
Wartburg	4-4	7-9
Loras	3-3	6-8
William Penn	3-3	6-8
Luther	1-5	4-11
Dubuque	0-8	0-16

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Free Fry/Sandwich - 2 TACOS $1.50
T.G.I.F. PARTY
2 FERS + $4.00 Pitchers 11:30 to 7:00
KNIGHTS HOME B'BALL
$1.50 Drinks + $4.25 Pitchers 7:00 to 10:00
50's and 60's Party Nite NO COVER CHARGE
Wanna Party?
See Joe or Dave to Book A Date At The Knight Hawk
WEDNESDAY
FREE WINGS PER PITCHER
7:00 TO 12:00
PROGRESSIVE $4.00 PITCHERS
$2.50 RELOADS AT 11:30
2FER FROGS, CAPT + COKE and STRIPPERS
10 Piece Wings ONLY $2.75
HOUSE RULE BE GOOD OR BE GONE!!!
TUESDAY
TWOFER NITE
2 FER DRINKS
2 TACOS $1.50
22 OZ. Draws $1.75
$3.50 Reloads
Merc + Bo Are B'Day Boys Tonite
SATURDAY
KNIGHTS HOME B'BALL
$2 OFF ALL Large Pizzas (ALL NITE)
$1.25 FROGS 7 + 7 Till 12
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Scott Harves

Britson to go? I'd say no

What's new? Wrestlers sweep, basketball teams sweep, new football coach hired. Got all that?

So what else is there to talk about in the world of sports? Dennis Rodman? I think not. Green Bay Packers? Sorry I mentioned them. The Wartburg football coaching staff? Didn't I mention that already? Well, sort of.

Lost amidst the hiring of Rick Willis was the decision of defensive coordinator Roger Britson to step down from his position. Add defensive line coach, as well as strength and conditioning coach, to the list of vacancies which will be void when Britson leaves.

That brings us to the question of why he has decided to leave. Although some of his players don't say much about it, some say he is leaving because he was not looked at as a replacement for "Cactus" Steve Hagen, Wartburg's 1996 head coach.

Another theory had Britson leaving to become a strength and conditioning coach at a Division I school. This rumor still lurks.

The question I'd like to raise is why I've heard no rumors of Coach Britson being asked to come back.

Certainly I am not the only one who sees a problem here, am I? Is this not the same Roger Britson who's lifeblood is Wartburg Football?

Is this not the same coach who dedicates his life to preserving a tradition which he was once a part of, and does not want to see diminish?

I may be wrong in assuming Coach Britson would like to remain a coach at Wartburg College for a longer period. If so, then I am mistaken. But isn't the resignation of Cactus Steve the prime example of the revolving door system which Wartburg wants to stop?

Not all of the assistants on the coaching staff are Wartburg grads, and that's good. What they have developed is a cohesive staff of individuals which appears to have created an ideal environment for small college football. For this reason, Wartburg football is not only competitive, but it's fun for those involved.

Fun.

To my knowledge, there are players who would go to bat for coach Britson at the drop of a hat. Some disagree with his methods, but no one questions his intentions. Some don't like his lifestyle; some are his best friends.

There may be more to this puzzle than meets the eye of a bi-weekly sports columnist. Then again, maybe not.

Stability, cohesiveness, friendships, loyalty, dedication, Wartburg College Football?

Batter up.

Another new era...

by Lis Erickson
Sports Editor

Wartburg football fans can look for a return to tradition with Tuesday's hiring of Rick Willis as head football coach.

Willis said Wartburg can expect him to put in some time as the Knights' head man.

"I hate to put an amount of years on it," he said, "but who knows? It could be thirty years. You look at it in segements."

Prior to Steve Hagen, the Knights' football coach for the 1996 season, a coach's shortest tenure since 1951 was Bob Nielsen's five years from 1991-95.

The longest coaching tenure since 1951 was Don Canfield's seventeen years. Canfield coached from 1973-90.

Willis said he may be a return to that pattern.

"I expect to be at Wartburg for quite a long time.

"This is the type of opportunity I've been preparing for my entire career."

Led back to his Iowa roots from a position as assistant coach and defensive coordinator at Wittenberg University in Springfield, Ohio, the 1988 Cornell College graduate said there are many things that excite him about coaching at Wartburg.

"I'm proud to represent this school; I believe in my heart that the product is a good thing."

Willis sees his role as merging his Wittenberg experience with Wartburg potential.

He does not see much to be "fixed" in the football program, as the team returns "talented players" and he expects there to be "great continuity among the staff."

Willis expects to work with this group of assistant coaches to keep a consistent look to Wartburg football. "I believe in a balanced, physical approach to football," Willis said.

As a former defensive coordinator, Willis' philosophy is an aggressive defensive style, much like, he said, what the Knights are used to.

Junior Steve Carr said he feels Wills' coaching ideals should fit in well.

"It sounds pretty similar to the offense and defense ideas we've had here before."

Willis said his "mission statement" sums up the type of athlete he looks for.

"No. 1, he must have a committment to education...secondly, he must be able to represent Wartburg College with exemplary behavior...we're looking for men of character. Thirdly, he must have a strong desire and ability to win the Iowa Conference championship."

Willis' moves in the next month will focus upon recruiting, working with his staff and meeting with his players, either individually or in small groups. He will officially begin Feb. 1.

Athletic Director Gary Grace said many factors were involved in Willis' hiring, including his Division III experience and Iowa background, as well as his personality.

"I can't think of anything in his career that hasn't impressed me," Grace said.

Mark Hargrafen, the football team's player representative on the selection committee, said he felt Willis was "very personable" and that he would fit in well at Wartburg.

At Wittenberg, Willis was a part of the winningest Division III football program.

Willis, 31, replaces Hagen, who resigned in December to take a position as quarterbacks coach at San Jose State in Calif.

Photo by Nathan Friesen

WELCOME TO WARTBURG—Rick Willis, new head football coach, talks with members of the Wartburg community at a press conference announcing his hiring last Tuesday. Willis, an Iowa native who has spent his collegiate playing and his coaching careers in Division III, says he's excited to represent Wartburg and return to Iowa.

Knights grab share of second

by Suzanne Behnke
Staff Writer

The Central Flying Dutch could not win this weekend, but the Wartburg Knights did.

After starting the weekend as the Iowa Conference's only undefeated women's basketball team, Central picked up their second IIAC loss in Knights Gymnasium Saturday, putting the Knights in the thick of the Iowa Conference race.

The Knights took a 25-21 lead into halftime, and ended the matchup with a 59-52 win.

"That really puts us back in the conference race," Head Coach Monica Severson said. "The conference race has really tightened up."

Severson said several things brought the Knights' win.

"I think our defense's pressure really wore Central down. We put together a nice second half," she said. "I thought we did a nice job in the inside (on defense)."

Wartburg's first lead came with about 17 minutes left in the second half.

Wartburg held Central's Aanna Hanson to just five points; she normally scores in double digits.

Leading the stats was Kayah-Bah Phillmann with 12 points and five rebounds. Emily Bailey and Jill Baethke each had eight points.

While the Central game may have been the highlight, the women also claimed a close 52-47 victory over William Penn.

"I would characterize Friday night's win as an ugly win," said Severson.

She also said the team's rebounding helped keep them in the game.

The weekend victories put Wartburg at 10-6 overall and 6-2 in the IIAC.

"It felt pretty good to win two games," said Severson.

Wartburg faces Simpson at Indianola tomorrow at 6 p.m. and then plays Upper Iowa on Friday and Dubuque on Saturday.

Photo by Carrie Lawton

WEARING THEM DOWN—Sophomore Jill Baethke concentrates on defending the inbounds pass in Saturday night's game against Central. "I think our defense's pressure really wore Central down," Head Coach Monica Severson said.